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### PAID SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The roll of honor for the week  
Hermann Dryer  
John Kruegar  
J. P. Maerz  
Aug. Kaspar  
Wm. Luecke.

### PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Otto Griebsch is clerking for C. H. Flato.  
Go to Merseburger's for fruits.  
John and August Mladenka visited Schulenburg last week.  
New garden seed for sale by J. E. Merseburger.  
Lois Becka lost his little five month old boy Sunday morning.  
A nice assortment of work baskets at J. E. Merseburger's.  
B. C. Floyd, the operator here, has rented a house and will start to housekeeping.  
Get you a mask for the masquerade ball. J. E. Merseburger.  
Squire Helweg, J. P. Moerz and Fritz Luecke, of Moulton, were visitors here Sunday.  
Get a bottle of Vici shoe polish at Ed Coleman's.  
O. J. Koehler has located at Witting and will conduct the blacksmith shop there.  
A nice line of Valentines at J. E. Merseburgers, from 1 to 75 cents.  
The remains of Grandma Wiseman were laid to rest Thursday evening at 3 o'clock.  
The Firemen's Band will give a masquerade ball at the opera house Thursday, February 20th.  
The habeas corpus trial of Hus Tom, at Cuero, charged with the murder of Burnell Butler, resulted in Tom being remanded to jail without bail.

Frank Mewes, J. F. Mittanck and Henry Sherbohm are doing some lofty work on the Lutheran church steeple this week.

Get you a ready made fishing line at J. E. Merseburger's.

O. J. Koehler has 400 acres of land on the Goldenrod which he will sell for \$5 per acre. Half cash and balance to suit purchaser.

Get a Valentine at Merseburger's and send it to your sweetheart.

Hallettsville is well supplied with papers now, there being five there. Two German, one Bohemian and two English.

F. E. Ruhmann is now prepared to sell you a Steel Star or an Improved Dandy wind mill.

Lookout! Valentine's day is coming. A nice line of Valentines at J. E. Merseburger's.

Dozens of window panes have been broken at the Baptist church by "nigger shooters." This is very wrong, and parents should see that the little boys are not permitted to carry these slings. Some forty panes were replaced only a short time ago and a large number have again been broken.

A car load of choice New York seed potatoes just received at C. H. Flato's.

When Wenz Skalitsky left here for California a few weeks ago, he went from Flatonia to Kansas City and took the Kansas City, Memphis & Ft. Scott Ry and then the Santa Fe. His motive for taking this round-about way was that the tickets were about \$1 cheaper. It was a pretty out of the way route.

A car load of genuine New York seed potatoes received at Seydler & Eschenburg's.

Our popular liveryman, John Harwood, met with a piece of bad luck Friday night about 9 o'clock. His driver, Jerome Sanson, had taken a drummer to Yoakum and was on his way home. At the crossing near Anton Barkman's house a freight train came along and frightened the team, which ran into a barbed wire fence, wrecking the buggy and throwing Jerome out. Both horses were badly cut by the wire and Mr. Harwood says they will not be able to work for six months. Jerome was badly bruised up. The engine was blowing off steam at the time which caused the horses to run, as Mr. Harwood's teams are all gentle and not easily frightened.

Henry Flato, Jr., has taken Otto Richter's place in the post office.

There was an exciting run away on Main Street yesterday evening. Fred Conner distinguished himself by overtaking the run away team on horseback and stopping them before any damage was done.

Rev. Will S. James, of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, assisted by B. R. Thornbury, is conducting a series of meetings in a tent erected near the Wiseman House. The meetings began Sunday night and a good sized audience greeted the evangelist. Mr. Thornbury has organized a choir of about twenty or twenty-five voices to furnish music. The meetings will continue about two weeks.

A full stock of perfumeries, brushes, toilet cases, combs, stationery, school books, fancy toilet articles and notions of all kinds at A. Grave's drug store, Shiner, Tex.

At the regular fire meeting Wednesday night, February 5th, two new members were initiated. They were R. L. Eschenburg and Fritz Berkenhoff. They were given a ride on the hook and extended the right hand of fellowship. Fritz Berkenhoff took P. A. Franke's place and Mr. Eschenburg was taken to complete the full membership allowed by law. The company now consists of twenty-five members. The initiation fee is \$2.50.

The show given by McCoy's Minstrels at the opera house Saturday night was very successful. The writer was absent from town and unable to attend, consequently we can not give the programme in detail, but we are informed that the show was a very creditable one. Some \$20 was taken in at the door. The show was given under the auspices of the K. of P. and a percentage went to the school building.

### Grand Opening!

At the Opera House Wednesday night, February 19th.

### Haywood's Celebrities, The best show out.

Complaints are being made that a species of wharf rats are over-running the country, doing great damage to grain, poultry, etc. They are big, slate colored fellows and are savage and full of fight. Nick Brod piled up a lot of fodder near his hog pen, and as a result he is minus a fine litter of young pigs. The rats made a big den in the fodder and killed and ate all of his pigs but one. Mr. Brod ascertained this fact by tearing down the pile of fodder and slaughtering the rats. There is something curious about the advent of these rats. They seem to be migratory. A neighborhood will be without a single one and then of a sudden it will be over-run with them. No matter how many you catch in traps, poison or otherwise slaughter it seems to have not the least effect on them, they swarm everywhere. Then all of a sudden they disappear and the country knows no more of them. There coming and going is a mystery. They are greedy, ravenous creatures and their flesh is poison.

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### PUBLIC INSTALLATION.

The members of Rathbone Lodge, K. of P., have arranged an elaborate programme for their public installation of officers next Friday eve at the opera house. There will be a large attendance from Flatonia. The installation will be public and free. Following is the programme:  
Overture.....Prof. Friedrich, Mrs. Effie Hughs and A. Schramm.  
Prayer.....Rev. James.  
Music by the Orchestra.  
Opening address.....Edw. J. Mair  
Quartette—"Over the Hills".....Flatonia Quartette.  
Installation of Officers.  
Violin Solo.....Prof. Friedrich.  
Recitation—"Damon and Pythias".....Miss Tinnie Lieck.  
Duet—"Far from Me".....Misses Martha and Lizzie Yeager and Norma Flato.  
Installation of Officers.  
Recitation—"Pythian Knight".....Miss Bertie Thornton.  
Quartette—"Jolly Blacksmiths".....Flatonia Quartette.  
Recitation—"The Ruggles Dinner Party".....Ella Habermacher.  
Installation of Officers.  
Music by the Orchestra.  
Recitation—"Ostler Joe".....Mr. J. Habermacher.  
Quartette—"Storm at Sea".....Shiner Quartette.  
Closing Address.....J. F. Wolters.  
**BANQUET.**

### A Card of Thanks.

The Shiner Fire Company No. 1 desires to thank the ladies who managed the Leap Year ball and netted such a handsome sum for the Fire Company. The ball was was a grand success.  
R. G. SEYDLER, Sec.

### A BUSINESS CHANGE.

A deal was made Thursday by which George Seydler became owner of Stuerke's saloon. It will be managed by R. G. Seydler, who took charge Saturday. Mr. Stuerke states that he has no idea of leaving Shiner. Otto Stuerke will continue to tend bar.

### TO THE PEOPLE OF SHINER:

In reply to many inquiries and expressions concerning the little accident(?) to my tabernacle last Saturday night, I wish to say that I take much of the blame to myself. I stretched my tent on an open lot, across which the traveling public has been accustomed to ride and drive. Not having time to fence it Saturday afternoon it was left exposed, and my version of the affair is simply that some fellow, perhaps a little bit off balance because of having imbibed too freely of "Old John Barleycorn," thinking to ride across his usual route, ran into the ropes and getting tangled up he imagined that a Texas mob was after him with a stick and a bag on its end, drew his knife and began to slash right and left. And as a man in that condition never was known to go straight, and the tent being circular, he kept going and meeting a new rope each ten feet he kept cutting until he found an open space and then he made tracks, and that he certainly did, for I measured one of them and it was a stunner. The result of the cutting was that my poor little tent took a tumble. However, Texas-like I tied it up again and fenced it in, and while I must acknowledge "slightly disfigured but still in the ring." I wish to say that I don't believe there is one man in one thousand within five miles of Shiner that would willfully do me an injury, drunk or sober.  
WILL S. JAMES.

### A Leap in the Dark.

At about 9 o'clock Monday morning Diedrich Bohmann, living on Dave Hughs' place, died by his own hand by hanging himself. He moved here from the vicinity of Weimar only a short time ago and rented land of Dave Hughs. He was in town Saturday and appeared happy and contented. Squire Tammke was notified and held an inquest over the remains, returning a verdict in accordance with the above facts. Deceased leaves a wife and six children to mourn his loss.